

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of the Claims

1. (Currently amended) A method for powderizing a hydrophobic non-saccharide ingredient(s) in a liquid or paste form, comprising:

(A) processing said hydrophobic non-saccharide ingredient(s) into a liquid or paste form by adding alcohol or organic solvent;

(B) mixing said hydrophobic non-saccharide ingredient(s) with a saccharide derivative(s) of α,α -trehalose having a trehalose structure as an end unit and a glucose polymerization degree of three or higher; and

(C) powderizing the resulting mixture;

wherein said saccharide derivative of α,α -trehalose comprises 30 w/w % or more of α -maltosyl α,α -trehalose and one or more other saccharides selected from the group consisting of α -glucosyl α,α -trehalose, α -maltotriosyl α,α -trehalose and ~~ether~~- α -glycosyl α,α -trehalose(s) as other components, and which saccharide derivative of α,α -trehalose is in an amorphous form.

2 (Cancelled).

3. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said hydrophobic non-saccharide ingredient(s) is one selected from the group consisting of processed stockbreedings, processed marine products, processed agricultural products, flavors, colorings, lipids, and functional substances.

4-7 (Cancelled).

8. (Previous previously) The method of claim 1, wherein the amount of said saccharide derivative of α,α -trehalose mixed with said hydrophobic non-saccharide ingredient(s) is 5% (w/w) or more to the total weight of the resulting mixture, on a dry solid basis.

9. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said method for powderizing is a spray-drying method.

10-11 (Cancelled).

12. (Previously presented) A powdery composition comprising a hydrophobic non-saccharide ingredient(s) produced by the method of claim 1.

13-14 (Cancelled).

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15. **(Previously presented)** The powdery composition of claim 12, which is one selected from the group consisting of foods, beverages, cosmetics, medicated cosmetics, pharmaceuticals, and industrial chemicals, their materials and intermediates.